

HOUSE BILL 3334
By Givens

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55 and Title 68, relative to transporting certain hazardous materials.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, is amended by adding Section of this act as a new chapter.

SECTION 2. (a) For purposes of obtaining a commercial driver license under Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 50, Part 1, for placing placards on vehicles required by law to designate the vehicle as transporting hazardous materials, and for maintaining shipping records within a vehicle transporting hazardous materials, the transportation of an agricultural product other than a Class 2 material as defined in the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act over local roads between fields of the same farm is excepted from meeting the requirements of such laws for such purposes when:

(1) It is transported by a farmer who is an intrastate private motor carrier; and

(2) The movement of the agricultural product conforms to requirements required by law for the vehicle which is transporting such product.

(b) The transportation of an agricultural product to or from a farm within one hundred fifty (150) miles of the farm, is excepted from the requirements for obtaining a commercial driver license, placarding and shipping papers in accordance with subsection (a) if:

(1) It is transported by a farmer who is an intrastate private motor carrier;

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(2) The total amount of agricultural product being transported on a single vehicle does not exceed:

(A) 7,300 kg (16,094 lbs.) of ammonium nitrate fertilizer;

(B) 1900 L (502 gallons) for liquids or gases, or 2,300 kg (5,070 lbs) for solids, of any other agricultural product.

(3) The packaging conforms to requirements of law for the vehicle transporting the product.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.